## **U.S. Embassy Manama**

## Security Notice 11 - July 2, 2015

Recent terrorist attacks in Kuwait, Tunisia, France, and Egypt serve as a reminder for all to maintain security awareness in the face of continued security threats throughout the region and world. There have been no direct terrorist attacks on U.S. citizens in Bahrain to date, but terrorist activity and violence around the region remain a concern. We strongly recommend you pay close attention to your surroundings, vary your times and routes, and continually exercise the appropriate level of vigilance and security awareness. Terrorist organizations have demonstrated the intent and capability to carry out attacks against Western interests around the world.

There continue to be many reports circulating on social media regarding possible attacks in Bahrain. At this time, however, we do not have specific threat reporting that has been deemed credible and imminent nor do these unsubstantiated reports list U.S. citizens or U.S. facilities as targets. The Ministry of Interior (MOI) is taking prudent measures because of these recent attacks and has issued statements it will increase security countermeasures throughout the country. We expect an increased police presence at malls, markets, and other popular public areas. The Embassy has not, at this time, called for anyone to remain in their homes or to limit travel beyond the areas in the restricted areas. We continue to monitor the situation closely and communicate with Bahraini and partner security services, and will update as necessary.

For the latest security information, U.S. citizens traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department of State's Internet website at <a href="mailto:travel.state.gov">travel.state.gov</a> where the <a href="Worldwide">Worldwide</a> Caution, Country Specific Information, Travel Warnings, and Travel Alerts</a> can be found. Follow us on <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a> and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> as well. In addition to information on the internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, from other countries, on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Monday through Friday, Eastern Time (except U.S. federal holidays). The U.S. Embassy in Manama can be reached at (973) 1724-2700; the afterhours emergency number is (973) 1724-2957; the fax number is (973) 1725-6242. The Embassy's <a href="website">website</a>, <a href="http://bahrain.usembassy.gov">http://bahrain.usembassy.gov</a>, includes travel information and the Worldwide Caution and Demonstration Notices. All U.S. citizens are encouraged to enroll in the <a href="mailto:Smart Traveler Enrollment Program">Smart Traveler Enrollment Program</a>. The Consular Section can be reached at <a href="mailto:ManamaConsular@state.gov">ManamaConsular@state.gov</a>.

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